# CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

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| **Title of publication:** | 000268_Carved |
| **Other known title(s):** | Not stated |
| **OFLC ref:** | 2000330.013 |
| **Medium:** | Image File |
| **Maker:** | Not stated |
| **Country of origin:** | Not stated |
| **Language:** | Not applicable |
| **Applicant:** | Commissioner of Police |
| **Classification:** | Unrestricted. |
| **Descriptive note:** | None |
| **Display conditions:** | None |
| **Date of entry in Register:** | 25 November 2020 |
| **Date of direction to issue a label:** | No direction to issue a label has been issued |
| **Date of notice of decision:** | 25 November 2020 |

**Summary of reasons for decision:**

'0000268_Carved' is an image of a topless female reading the paper outdoors. Consideration has been given to whether the youthful subject is a young person but the Classification Office has concluded that there is nothing that presents her unequivocally as a young person. Therefore it would be unreasonable to conclude that she is a young person. Branding for a gallery site that hosts voyeuristic images of young women is located in the top right corner. Whilst the depiction of female breasts is not inherently sexual, the publication invites a sexual gaze due to its contrived set up and the presence of branding that highlights its sexual intent. However, it is not overtly sexual and is unlikely to cause serious harm to younger viewers. Therefore, the image does not warrant a restriction on its availability and it is classified as unrestricted. This classification places no limitation on the right to freedom of expression as affirmed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.